

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 6-23, and 27-42 are presented in this application. Claims 1, 22, 34, and 37-42 are independent.

Claims 3-5 and 24-26 have been cancelled herein without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 22, 23, 27, 28, 30, 37, 38, 40, and 41 have been amended herein.

The specification has been amended to correct minor mistakes.

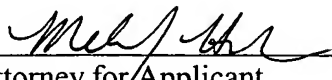
Replacement drawings of Figs. 14 and 18 are submitted herewith to correct minor mistakes. In Fig. 14, at step 1417, "custom" has been changed to --sample--. In Fig. 18, "229" has been changed to --529--.

No new matter is believed to have been added.

Favorable consideration, entry of the foregoing amendments, and early passage to issue of the application are respectfully requested.

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